

# Update: Indoor Air & Sub-Slab Sampling – Motorola 52<sup>nd</sup> Street Site

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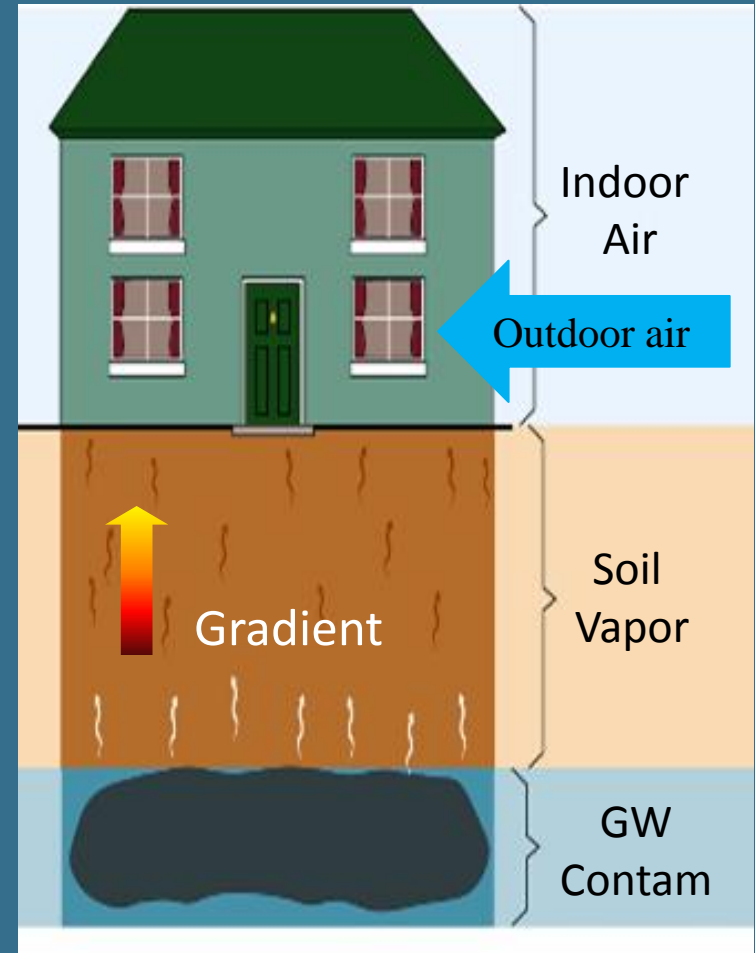


# Outline

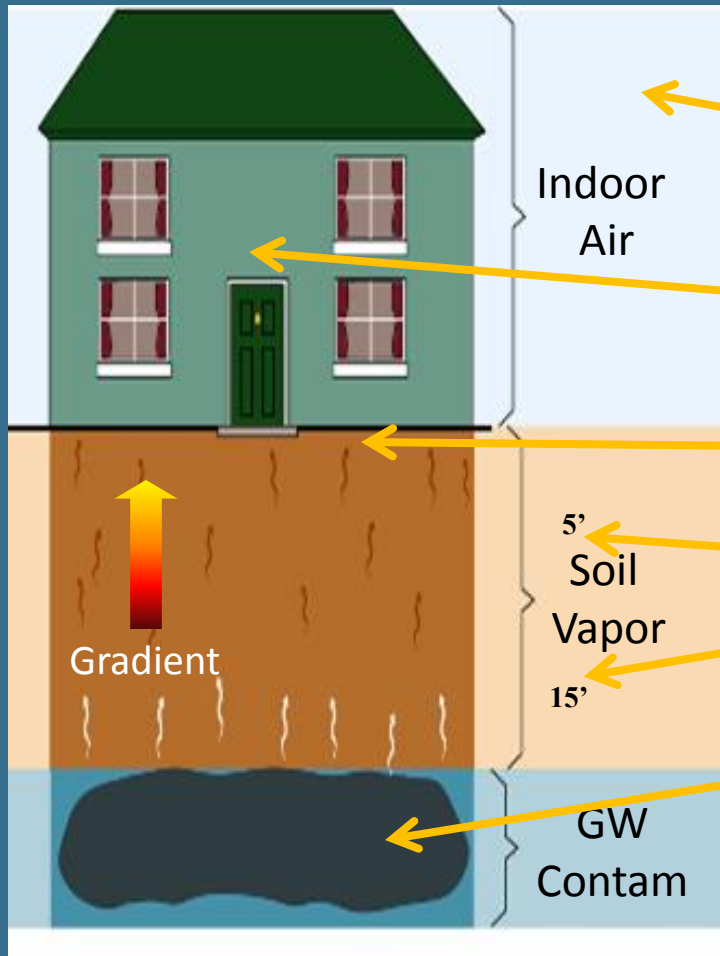
- Vapor intrusion basics
- New TCE toxicity info & soil gas screening levels (SGHHSLs)
  - Extension of vapor intrusion screening area
- Area-by-area presentation of results to date

# Soil Gas and Indoor Air

- Vapor intrusion = soil gas entering overlying buildings
- Questions to address:
  - Is VI happening?
  - If so, are indoor air exposures of potential health concern?



# Multiple Lines of Evidence



## Vapor Intrusion?

- Outdoor air
- Indoor air
- Sub-slab
- Soil gas
- Groundwater

# Use of Risk Range - Homes

TCE Protective Risk Range: **0.4 – 2  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$**

- $< 0.4 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  – Inhalation Risk Screening Level (IRSL)
  - Less than 1 in one-million lifetime cancer risk
  - No remediation unless potential for future VI
- $0.4 - 2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ 
  - Low risk: 1 - 5 in one-million lifetime cancer risk
  - Consider remediation if potential for future VI
- EPA's Goal: residential exposures less than  $2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ 
  - $> 2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  risks start to increase for both non-cancer effects and cancer



# SGHHSLs Updated

## Soil Gas Human Health Screening Levels (SGHHSLs)

- Used to help define areas for indoor air/sub-slab sampling
- New: SGHHSLs updated to incorporate revised TCE risk screening level ( $0.4 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  lower end)
- TCE SGHHSLs:
  - Residential:  $190 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
  - Commercial/Industrial:  $2500 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
- Impact: Expanded areas for indoor air/sub-slab investigation



# Updated IA & SS Results

## ➤ 3 Sampling Events:

- July 2011 / October 2011 / February 2012
- 77 houses/apartments
- 5 commercial/industrial buildings
- 2 schools

## ➤ Indoor air & sub-slab data validated

## ➤ Results represent testing in individual homes

- No addresses or specific locations identified
- Protect privacy of volunteers

# Vapor Intrusion Study Areas





# Lindon Park (23 Residences)



**Updated TCE  
SGHHSI**

TCE – Indoor Air (22):

- 10 residences ND
- 10 below  $0.4 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  screening level
- 2 in  $0.4 - 2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  protective risk range

TCE - Sub-Slab (23):

- 5 sub-slabs non-detect
- 18 detections

IA/SS sampling extended:

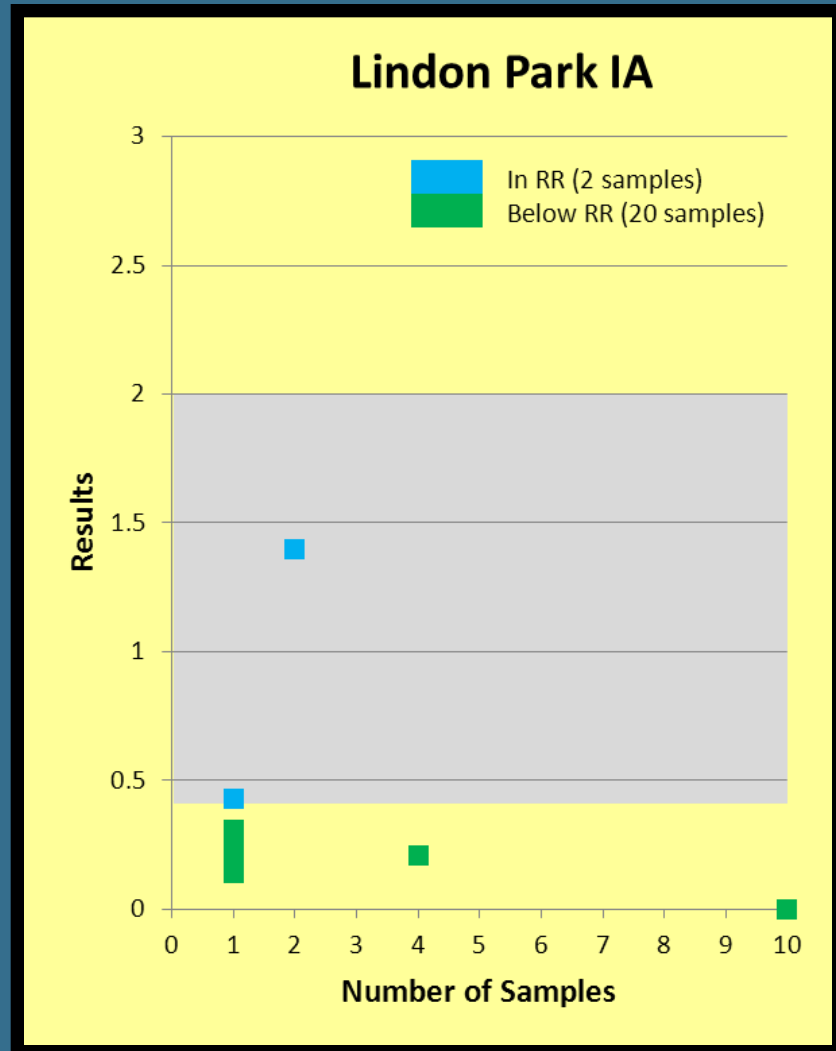
- Brill Street
- South of Culver

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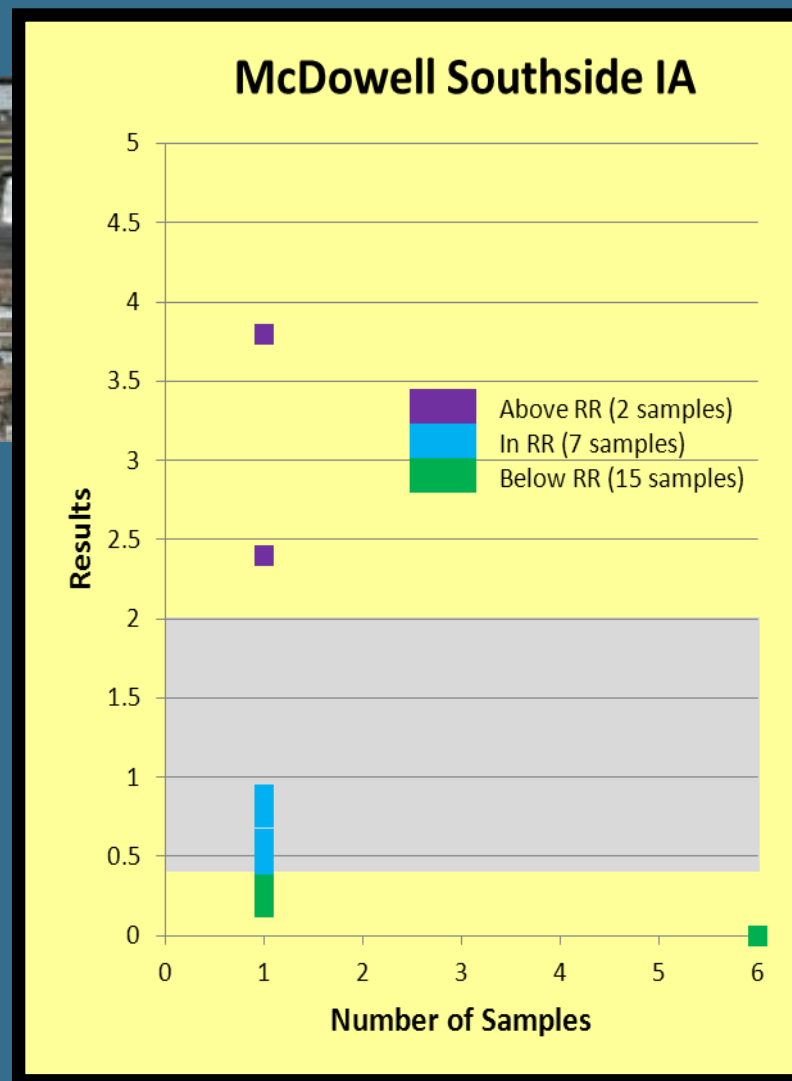
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- 1 building id'd for sub-slab mitigation
  - Elevated SS levels
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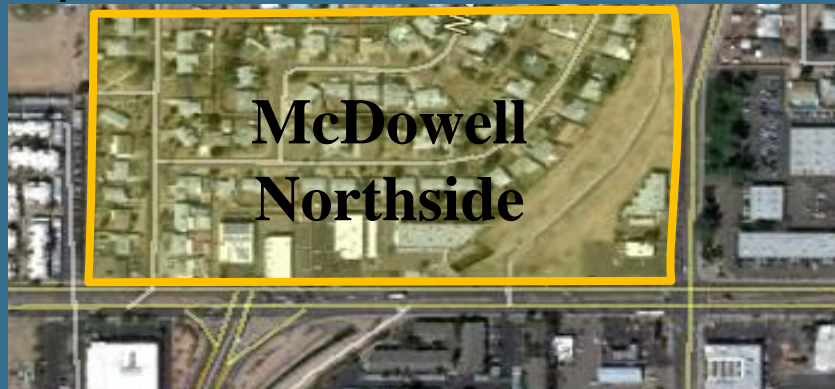
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- 11 above protective risk range

## TCE - Sub-Slab (28):

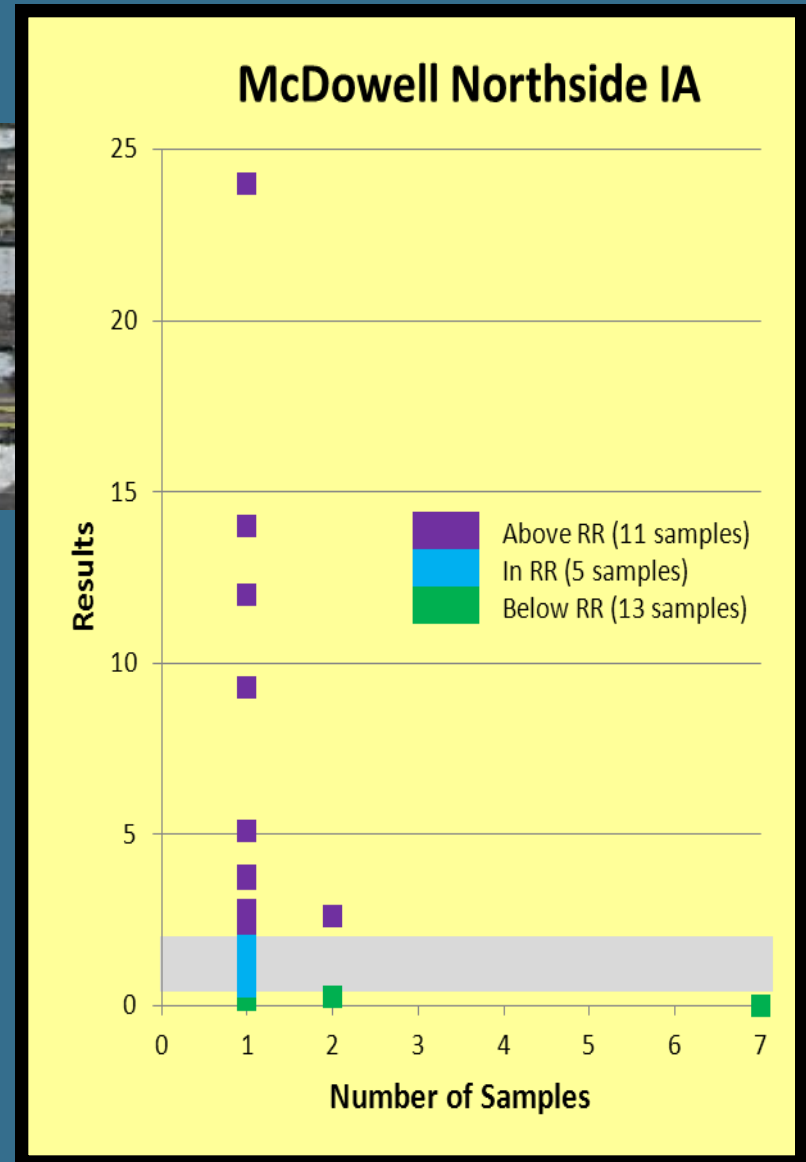
- 27 detections
- 15 buildings identified for sub-slab mitigation
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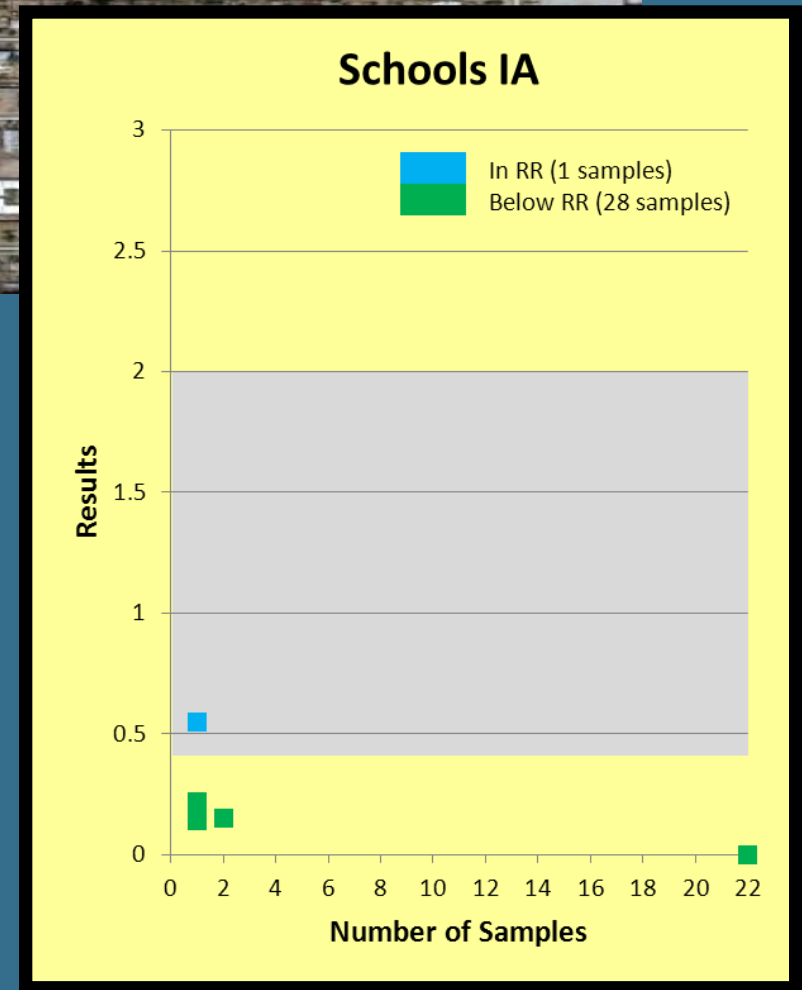


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# Outdoor Air Results





# Summary

- Indoor air sampled – 75 residences:
  - TCE detected in 52; 23 ND
  - TCE range: ND – 24  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
- Sub-slab soil gas sampled – 76 residences
  - TCE detected 69; 7 ND
  - TCE range: ND – 43,000  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
- 17 buildings have been identified for mitigation using sub-slab depressurization system
  - 7 installations completed
- Outdoor air: ND – 1.4  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$



## Conclusions & Comments

- TCE levels – either indoor air or sub-slab - prompted installation of sub-slab depressurization systems to address VI in some areas
- Another round of IA & SS sampling currently underway
  - additional residences added to sampling to expand area of investigation – based on revised soil gas screening levels



Thank You

QUESTIONS?